

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
ROCK HILL DIVISION

United States of America,

v.

Michael Carothers,

Defendant.

Cr. No. 0:08-401-CMC

**Opinion and Order**

This matter is before the court on Defendant's motion to modify his revocation sentence to include credit for time served on home confinement pending his Supervised Release Revocation hearing. ECF No. 365.

Title 18 United States Code § 3582(c) limits the court's authority to modify a final judgment that includes a sentence of imprisonment to three specific circumstances. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c). The court can modify a judgment (1) upon motion of the Director of the Bureau of Prisons ("BOP") for statutorily-specified reasons, including "extraordinary and compelling reasons;" (2) upon motion of the government for substantial assistance; or (3) upon motion of the defendant or the BOP, or upon the court's own motion, because of a subsequent lowering of the applicable sentencing range. *Id.* None of these provisions apply to Defendant's request.

Apart from 18 U.S.C. § 3582, a district court has no jurisdiction to alter a defendant's term of imprisonment except as authorized by Rule 35(a) or 18 U.S.C. § 3742.

Rule 35(a) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure permits a court to "correct a sentence that resulted from arithmetical, technical, or other clear error" within fourteen days after the oral announcement of the sentence. *See* Rules 35(a) and (c), Fed.R.Crim.P. The revocation sentence was orally announced on August 30, 2017, and, accordingly, the deadline for any action by the

court on a Rule 35(a) motion is past. Therefore, the court is without jurisdiction to act upon Defendant's motion in this regard.

After an appeal, the court can modify a sentence if the sentence is found by the appellate court to have been imposed in violation of law or imposed as a result of an incorrect application of the sentencing guidelines, as provided for in 18 U.S.C. § 3742. Defendant did not appeal his revocation or sentence.

The court lacks jurisdiction to reconsider Defendant's sentence, and therefore, Defendant's motion to modify revocation sentence is denied for lack of jurisdiction. The Bureau of Prisons is in charge of computing sentences, and it would be within its province to determine whether Defendant receives credit for his time on home confinement before his judgment for revocation.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

s/ Cameron McGowan Currie  
CAMERON MCGOWAN CURRIE  
Senior United States District Judge

Columbia, South Carolina  
October 18, 2017